

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP AMENDMENT</b>
Volker Doring et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1623
Application No.: 10/560,760	)	Examiner: Jonathan S Lau
Filed: October 6, 2006	)	Confirmation No.: 5121
For: PRODUCTION OF 2'-	)	
DEOXYNUCLEOSIDES AND 2'-	)	
DEOXYNUCLEOSIDE PRECURSORS	)	
FROM 2-DEHYDRO-3-DEOXY-D-	)	
GLUCONATE	)	

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In complete response to the non-final Office Action dated May 8, 2009, Applicants submit herewith the following Amendment and Reply. Also submitted herewith is a copy of a literature reference cited in the remarks section; and a Petition for Two Months Extension of Time, extending the period for response from August 8, 2009 to October 8, 2009.